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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

EARL DAVIS, SR.,

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Plaintiff.

v.

R. CLOAK, S. REED, R. VINCENT, W. WHITLEY, PATRICK EATON, FNU VALESCO, FNU WHITE, E. CLOAK,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:22-cv-01632-HBK (PC)

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

(Doc. No. 2)

ORDER DIRECTING PAYMENT OF INITIAL FILING FEE BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Plaintiff Earl Davis, Sr., a prisoner, initiated this action on December 22, 2022, by filing a pro se civil rights complaint pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. (Doc. No. 1, Complaint). Plaintiff seeks leave to proceed in forma pauperis and submitted a copy of his prison trust fund statement and a Certification from prison officials in support. (Doc. No. 2). Plaintiff has made the showing required by § 1915(a) to proceed in forma pauperis but remains obligated to pay the statutory filing fees as set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Plaintiff shall make an initial payment of \$142.00¹

(20% of the greater of the average monthly deposits or average monthly balance). Id., § 25

¹ According to the Certification completed by the authorized correctional official, Plaintiff's six-month average monthly balance was \$713.49, and his six-month average monthly deposits was \$213.07. (Doc. No. 2 at 2).

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1915(b)(1)(A), (B). Thereafter, Plaintiff is required to make monthly payments of 20% of the preceding month's income credited to her trust account. The California Department of Corrections shall send the initial \$142.00 payment to the Clerk of the Court and subsequent payments from Plaintiff's inmate trust fund account each time the amount in the account exceeds \$10.00, until the statutory filing fee is paid in full. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2). ACCORDINGLY, it is **ORDERED**: 1. Plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis (Doc. No. 2) is GRANTED. 2. The Secretary of the California Department of Corrections, or his designee shall

- 2. The Secretary of the California Department of Corrections, or his designee shall forward an initial payment of \$142.00 to the Clerk of the Court from Plaintiff's prison trust account in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1)(B) and shall make future monthly payments in an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the preceding month's income credited to the Plaintiff's trust account each time the amount in the account exceeds \$10.00, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2), until a total of \$350.00 has been collected and forwarded to the Clerk of the Court. The payments shall be clearly identified by the name and number assigned to this action.
- 3. The Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of this order and a copy of Plaintiff's *in forma pauperis* application on the Secretary of the California Department of Corrections, via the court's electronic case filing system (CM/ECF).
- 4. The Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of this order on the Financial Department, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California.

Dated: January 3, 2023

HELENA M. BARCH-KUCHTA

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE